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23306

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371

US. Application No. (if known)

10/539701

INTERNATIONAL APP. NO.

PCT/DE2003/004184

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

18 December 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

18 December 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

PIPE ELEMENT, ESPECIALLY FOR EXHAUST PIPES IN MOTOR VEHICL

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EU/US) the following .

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 317(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Patent Office.
6. ☒ A translation of the International application into English.
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4).
10. ☒ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern documents or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An Assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
 ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items of information.
  - Drawing (18 sheets)
  - References
  - PTO-1449

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17. The following fees are submitted:

Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5):

Search report has been prepared by the EPO or JP ..... \$950.00

Int'l prel. exam. fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) ..... \$750.00

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but int'l search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$790.00

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int'l search fee (37 CFR 1.455(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$1000.00

Intl. prel. exam. fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Art. 33(2-4) ..... \$200.00

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CLAIMS	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims	8	0	\$50	\$0
Ind. claims	0	0	\$200	\$0
MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM(S) (if applicable) (see prel. amt.)			360	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$1,000
Reduction of 1/4 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (37 CFR 1.2, 1.27, 1.28)				\$500
SUBTOTAL				\$500
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE				\$500
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The Assignment may be accompanied by an appropriate PTO-1595 cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.39)				\$40
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED				\$540
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RECORD OF TRANSMITTAL--PCT APPLICATION

■	PCT Transmittal	
■	PCT Application	
■	Translation	
■	Sheets of Drawing (18)	
■	PCT Declaration	
■	PCT Documents	
■	International Search Report	
■	Preliminary Amendment	
■	Assignment (with PTO-1595 and sep. PTO-2038)	
■	Reference(s) with PTO-1449	
■	PTO-2038 for Official Fees	
■	Basic Fee (Small Entity)	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ind. claims in excess of 3	\$00.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Claim in excess of 20	\$00.00
	Total	\$500.00

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I, Andrew Wilford, a citizen of the United States of America,  
residing in Dobbs Ferry, New York, depose and state that:

I am familiar with the English and German languages;

I have read a copy of German-language PCT application  
PCT/DE2003/004184 published 1 July 2004 as WO 2004/055422 and the  
replacement claims in the German-language amendment filed on/about  
12 June 2004 with the European Patent Office; and

The hereto-attached English-language text is an accurate  
translation of these German-language documents.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
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